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SUBJECT: VISIT TO TAIWAN IN JUNE

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- 1. DEPARTMENT RECEIVED DOD TRAVEL CLEARANCE REQUEST FOR MG HERBERT E. WOLFF IN EARLY APRIL, AND APPROVED IT AT THAT TIME. HAD WE RECEIVED REFTEL BEFORE DOD TRAVEL REQUEST WE WOULD HAVE FOLLOWED EMBASSY'S RECOMMENDATION. HOWEVER, WE BELIEVE IT IS NOW TOO LATE TO ATTEMPT TO REVERSE OUR APPROVAL OF WOLFF'S TRAVEL.
- 2. IN VIEW OF DIFFICULTIES WE ARE ENCOUNTERING -DEPARTMENT ALSO APPROVED VISIT OF MG WHITE BEFORE
 HAVING BENEFIT OF EMBASSY'S VIEWS (STATE 120447 AND TAIPEI
 2939) -- DEPARTMENT WILL HENCEFORTH MAKE IT A PRACTICE
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NOT REPEAT NOT TO APPROVE DOD TRAVEL REQUESTS FOR FLAG OR GENERAL RANK OFFICERS MORE THAN ONE MONTH IN ADVANCE OF ACTUAL TRAVEL TO TAIWAN. IN THE EVENT THAT TRAVEL FOR SUCH OFFICERS MUST BE APPROVED EARLIER THAN ONE MONTH IN ADVANCE OF TRAVEL, WE WILL FIRST REQUEST EMBASSY'S VIEWS BEFORE TAKING ACTION ON TRAVEL CLEARANCE. CHRISTOPHER

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